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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. COSTA).

DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

April 14, 2021.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JIM COSTA to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of January 4, 2021, the Chair will now recognize Members from lists submitted by the majority and minority leaders for morning-hour debate.

The Chair will alternate recognition between the parties, with time equally allocated between the parties and each Member other than the majority and minority leaders and the minority whip limited to 5 minutes, but in no event shall debate continue beyond 11:50 a.m.

IN RECOGNITION OF RICHARD BUCHANAN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. RODNEY DAVIS) for 5 minutes.

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the former city of Bloomington council member, mayor, and McLean County board member, Mr. Richard Buchanan. He was a clearly dedicated public servant who dedicated more than four decades of his life to serving the taxpayers. Sadly, Rich passed away on March 30.

Rich grew up in Clinton, and graduated from Northern Illinois University, where he met the love of his life, Judy. After graduation, Richard spent 6 years serving his country in the U.S. Army Reserve. Outside of public service, he had an enduring career spanning 30 years at State Farm and raised three children alongside Judy. His leadership to Bloomington and McClean County will truly be missed.

My prayers are with his wife, Judy, his children, and all those who called Richard a friend.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF PATRICIA EVERHART REESE

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember Patricia Everhart Reese of Taylorville, a teacher and beloved community member, and my friend, who passed away on November 3, 2020.

Pat taught with the Taylorville School District for many years and was influential with the development of the Lincoln Land Literacy Program. She also spent time teaching at the Taylorville Correctional Center.

Pat, of course, took on many other roles in the community. One, being mentor to me, and also, she was the First Lady of Taylorville for 16 years and the Republican County chairwoman for 25 years, but her service never stopped.

Pat leaves a lasting impact on the Taylorville community and will be remembered as a great friend to so many.

My prayers are with her husband, Dan, and their entire family at this time.

RECOGNIZING PATTY HORNBUCKLE

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Patty Hornbuckle for her leadership and service to Taylorville and Christian County, Illinois.

I had the privilege to work with Patty in her role as the CEO of the Greater Taylorville Chamber of Commerce. The chamber is the driving

force to attract new businesses, residents, and tourists in our hometown.

During Patty's tenure, the chamber experienced significant growth in membership and increase in revenue through fundraising and the expansion of the chamber's signature event, "The Taylorville Chilifest."

Patty is certainly going to be missed. While we will miss her, her leadership has set up the chamber to continue its successful service to our community for years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to send my heartfelt congrats to my friend, Patty, her husband, Greg, and also her family.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF JOHN CURTIN

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember John Curtin of Taylorville.

John was my neighbor, a farmer, and active community member, who was our longtime county board chair, and he passed away on March 10 of 2021.

John began farming in Christian County in 1957. He served 12 years as the cattle superintendent at the Illinois State Fair and president of the Illinois Angus Association. In 1984, he was designated master farmer by Prairie Farmer.

John was a dedicated servant and leader to his community. And as I mentioned, he served on the county board as chair, but he was on the board for 40 years. The Taylorville Chamber of Commerce awarded him with a lifetime achievement award in recognition of his community service.

John was a fellow parishioner within the Holy Trinity Catholic parish as part of St. Mary's in Stonington, in Taylorville, and his legacy will be remembered forever.

My prayers are with his brothers, six children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

HONORING TODD HANNEKEN

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Illinois

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